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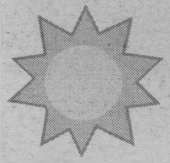


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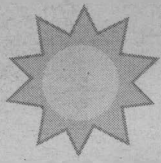
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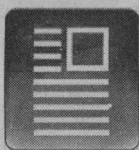
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## STAFF EDITORIAL

## Make this year the best it can be

Welcome to Eastern! We at *The Daily Eastern News* are glad to see so many new faces, as well as so many familiar faces.

At the beginning of the year, everyone has a wide range of goals that they hope to accomplish. Some people stick to these goals, work really hard and then feel incredibly satisfied with their progress at the end of the year. Others get carried away or distracted with other things, and they do not accomplish what they had hoped to.

We at *The Daily Eastern News* want to remind everyone that you have the power to control how your school year will be. You can sit and dread being back at school, have a pity party and spend your year in absolute misery, or you can be hopeful and excited for the new opportunities that may come your way. The choice is yours.

We encourage everyone to get involved in campus life and extracurricular activities. Eastern provides so many activities to students, anywhere from sports, music, Greek life and student media.

We also strive to remind students that although school is important, it is not something that should completely overwhelm you. Do not be too hard on yourself. Put forth the most effort that you possibly can, but do not overwork yourself to the point that you are miserable.

Get out there and meet new people. It is crucial for students to be social at college. Do not isolate. The best thing you can do for yourself is to get out on campus, surround yourself with others, meet your floor mates, make plans with your suitemates or roommates and get to know everyone. Sitting in your dorm room all the time or sleeping all day is not going to get you anywhere but into a deep depression.

At the end of the day, it is up to you. Reach for the stars, do the best that you can and have fun. Enjoy your year Panthers!

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## LETTER FROM THE EDITOR

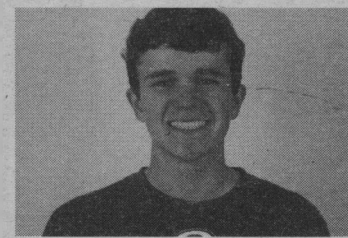
## Welcome to Eastern

Lincoln Avenue will soon again be congested with cars. Charleston's bars will rejoice as troves of students once again walk through their doors for nightly escapes from the stresses of college life. Lines at Chick fil-a will be long, students will pepper the Doudna Steps, maybe even Brother Jeb will make an appearance in the quad. These are the sights and sounds that let us all know that once again, class is back in session in Charleston, Illinois.

To all of the new students reading this letter in the move-in day edition of the Daily Eastern News, I on behalf of the staff of the newspaper would like to welcome you to campus and to the next four years of your life.

Know too however, that I welcome you with a hint of jealousy in my words as I sit here and realize that I will be witnessing for the last time all of hustle and bustle that awakens in this small town at the end of every August and that you a new student on this campus will get to spend the next four years immersed in all of the great times and adventures this campus in the heart of central Illinois has to offer.

Also know that it is our mission here at the Daily Eastern News to document all of what goes into life at Eastern and the Charleston community. Student events, board meetings, the fun times, the bad times, the wins, the losses, we will be there with you, keeping a record of what hap-



JJ Bullock

pens and serving our purpose as journalists to bring readers the news every day.

Understand too that we will strive 24/7-365 to stick to the roots of our motto "tell the truth and don't be afraid" and will work tirelessly to serve as the voice of the students on this campus.

As editor-in-chief of this publication I take very seriously the responsibility of serving you the readers and bringing to you the quality journalism and story-telling that this school and community need and deserve.

We print a free newspaper five days a week not because it is easy, and not because it is always fun to do so, but because we fully believe in the importance of delivering the news to the Eastern community and are dedicated to making sure that this small school in this small part of the country gets the journalism it deserves.

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## Top-5 things to know as a freshman

Welcome to college. It's a time to learn, discover yourself, and have fun.

There are many things you're going to learn for yourself, like there's no way to avoid the communal showers or having resist the urge to skip class, but here are the five things I wish I would have known going into freshman year.

**5.) Plan out your weeks as much as possible.**

Using a planner or your phone to keep track of all your classes, appointments and study dates is a must. Time will slip past you if you aren't keeping track of things and it's important to have both a healthy academic and social life.

**4.) Make friends with your professors.**

Your professors are here for you. Make sure you show them respect and



Corryn Brock

kindness. You never know when you may need them to proofread your final paper for another class or to give you a reference for a scholarship or job application. It never hurts to make connections.

**3.) Know your worth.**

College is a time to experiment with relationships, not a time to settle. If you aren't being treated right, whether it be in platonic or romantic relationships,

know when it's time to bow out. Don't waste time on people who are going to bring you down.

**2.) Don't party too hard.**

I'm not going to say don't go out and party. You're going to do what you want, but if you're coming home drunk out of your mind on a Tuesday six hours before your 9 a.m. class it may be time to re-evaluate your choices. No one likes sitting next to a person in class that smells like booze and is throwing up.

**1.) Nothing is set in stone.**

When I came in as a freshman, I thought it all figured out. I came in with my best friend as my roommate, ready to take on everything to offer in my department and the intention of being a straight-A student. Here I am as a sophomore: I don't speak to the best friend

I came here with and haven't since last year. I have amazing new friends who have my back always and I never have a dull time with now that I wouldn't have made without losing that original friendship. I realized very quickly I am strictly a newspaper girl. Broadcast and yearbook were not for me. I respect their hard work, but I found my place at The Daily Eastern News. The straight-A lifestyle isn't for me. I absolutely love the things I'm learning but I love them at a B-average.

College is an incredible time of your life, make the most of it.

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## THIS WEEKEND ON CAMPUS

### Friday, August 16

9:45 AM | New Student Photo & T-shirt Giveaway  
11:30 AM to 1:30 PM | Prowl Welcome Lunch Picnic  
3:00 PM | School of the Arts Orientation  
4:00 PM | Student Veteran Social  
7:00 PM - 10:00 PM | Late Night in the Union: Catch a Big Blue Wave!

### Saturday, August 17

9:30 AM - 1:30 PM | Jumpstart Service Projects and Social Issue Discussions  
2:30 PM - 4:00 PM | Find Your Classes Tours  
7:00 PM - 11:00 PM | Quakin' In The Quad: Seas the Day!

### Sunday, August 18

12:00 PM | 3:00 PM | Find Your Classes Tours  
12:00 PM | 3:30 PM - EIU StepsUp Bystander Intervention sessions (Mandatory)  
3:00 PM | LGBTQ+ Student and Supporters Reception  
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## Buildings for \$1200

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A. What is the Louis M. Grado building?

Textbook rental is located at the Louis M. Grado Building on 975 Edgar Drive.

Students will be able to pick up their textbooks Monday through Friday 8 A.M. to 4:30 P.M.

Students who are picking up their textbooks will need to bring their Panther Card in order to pick up their books. Textbook rental services can be reached at 217-581-3626 or at [textbooks@eiu.edu](mailto:textbooks@eiu.edu).



## Buildings

### Buildings for \$800



Q. The flagship building on Eastern's campus, it is known as the symbol of the school.

A. What is Old Main?

Old Main, or the Castle is located on Lincoln Ave.

Within Old Main are both undergraduate and graduate admissions, as well as student accounts and the President's office.

Students who are taking math classes will note their locations within the building.

Student accounts can be reached at 217-581-3715.

Q. This building is located next to Thomas Hall and is where Eastern's clinic is located.

A. What is Human Services?

Health Services is in the Eastern Human Services building. Health services offers immunizations, X-rays, lab services, STI screenings, pap smear exams and provides medical equipment such as bandages and wraps.

A counseling clinic is also available to all Eastern students within the building on the first floor.

The medical clinic pharmacy is available to students to pick up prescribed medications as well as over the counter medications. Health and counseling services can be reached at 217-581-3013 or at [health@eiu.edu](mailto:health@eiu.edu).

## Housing

### Housing for \$400



Q. These twin buildings house Eastern students. One is all female, the other is co-ed.

A. What are Lawson and Andrews Halls?

Lawson Hall and Taylor Hall are two of four halls found in the South Quad. Both halls are co-ed, but boys and girls reside on different floors. Lawson Hall has nine floors and Taylor Hall has five floors.

Andrews Hall and Thomas Hall are both located in the South Quad and both have dining halls. Andrews is an all-female, nine-story hall, while Thomas, a four-story building is a co-ed dorm divided in the same way as Lawson and Taylor. Both halls are located near the Human Services building.

Pemberton is an all-female building with four floors and can be found on the northwest corner of campus, close to Old Main and the Honors College. As the oldest female residence hall in Illinois, Pemberton is also a historical landmark.

Stevenson Hall, Lincoln Hall and Douglas Hall are all connected and can be found northwest of the Triad. Stevenson is a co-ed facility with 10 floors, while Lincoln is all female with four floors and Douglas is all male with four floors.

Weller Hall, McKinney Hall and Ford Hall together make up what is known on campus as the Triad. With a central location on campus, the Triad is close to Booth Library, the MLK Jr. Union and the Gregg Technology Center. While each hall has two floors, Weller is co-ed by wing, and McKinney and Ford are co-ed floors with single-gender rooms.



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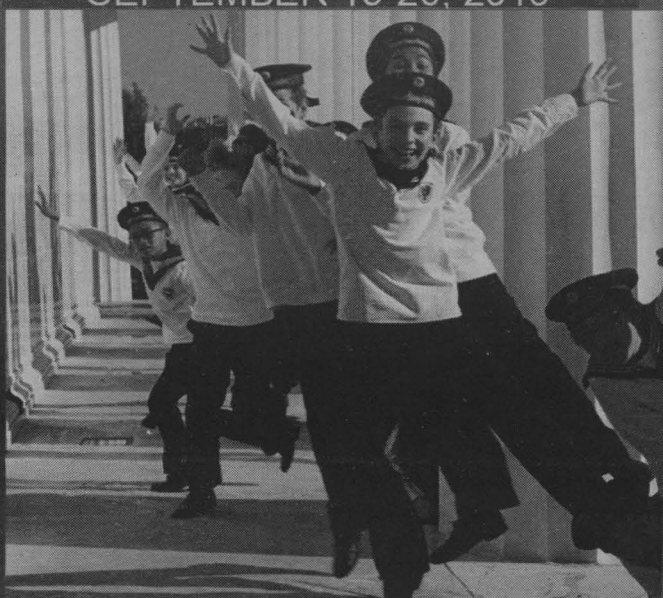
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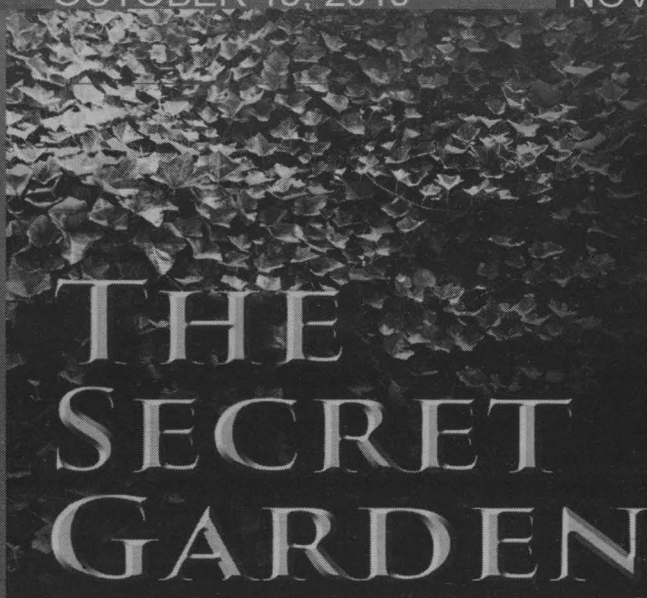
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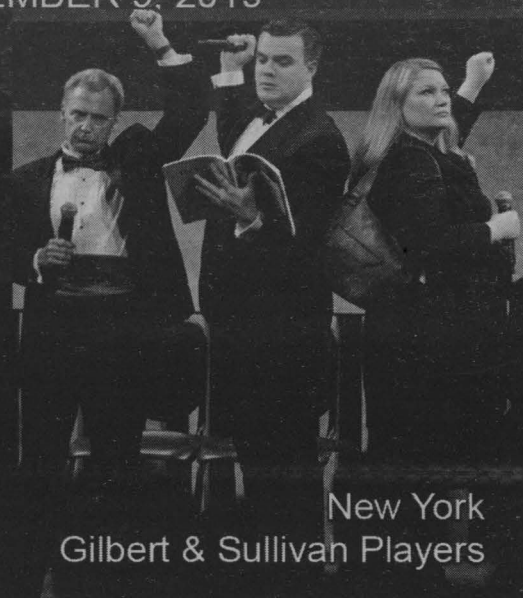
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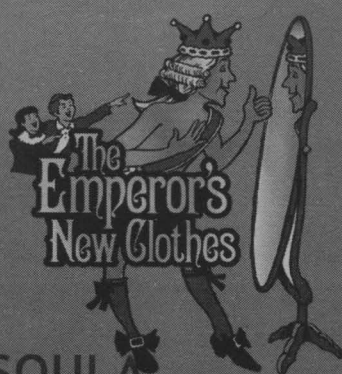
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## 1. Who is Carson Gordon?

- Elected student body president in 2019
- Former student vice president for academic affairs
- She said she plans to work on mental health stigmas on campus
- Senior political science major



## 2. Who Jay Gatrell?

- Became provost in 2017
- Former vice provost for faculty affairs and research at Bellarmine University
- Majored in political science, received graduate degrees in geography
- Likes bow ties

## 3. Who is David Glassman?

- Became president in 2015
- Former provost at Bradley University
- Majored in anthropology
- Ask him about his time on "Forensic Files"



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# Who is the Eastern volleyball team?

By Adam Tumino

Volleyball Reporter | @adam\_tumino

The Eastern volleyball team is set to take the court against Saint Louis for an exhibition match on Aug. 17.

The Panthers will look to bounce back this season after finishing 10th in the OVC last season.

Their overall record of 10-21 and conference record of 5-11 were both decreases from 2017, when the Panthers went 15-15 overall and 8-8 in the OVC.

The Panthers finished near the bottom of the conference in a number of offensive categories. They had the 10th most kills and assists in the OVC and eighth-most service aces.

The Panthers fared better defensively. They had the fourth-most blocks in the conference and led the OVC with 1,949 digs, despite playing the fourth-fewest sets.

Individually, five Eastern players appeared on OVC leaderboards last season. Senior Abby Knight finished ninth in the conference with a .264 hitting percentage.

One of Knight's fellow seniors, Taylor Smith, finished ninth with a 27 percent service ace percentage. Smith also earned second team all-OVC honors last season and was named Female Senior Athlete of the Year by the Eastern

athletic department.

Sophomore Laurel Bailey finished 10th in both kills and points and was the only Panther to finish in the top ten in either category.

Much like in the team statistics, the Panthers were higher up on the defensive leaderboards.

Junior Maggie Runge finished second in the OVC in blocks, averaging 1.03 blocks per set. Also finishing second, in digs, was redshirt-junior Anne Hughes, she averaged 5.12 digs per set.

Of these players, only Bailey and Runge will be back in 2019. Luckily for the Panthers, Bailey and Runge were the top two scorers on the team.

In fact, the Panthers will have their top three scorers back with Katie Sommer returning for her senior season in 2019.

Joining the team this season are six freshmen; Keelan Bell, Mackenzie Duvall, Sarah Paluch, Ireland Hieb, Joelle Laforce and Kristen Jankowski.

Eastern head coach Julie Allen spoke about the incoming class to the athletic department last November.

"I am excited about the 2019 signees," Allen said. "These six student-athletes speak to the needs of the program athletically, as well as what we are trying to build."

The Panthers will open the regular season with the EIU Panther Invita-



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Katie Sommer (left) and Maggie Runge (right) try to block a Southern Illinois Edwardsville player's hit during Eastern's 3-0 victory in Lantz Arena in September 2018.

tional on Aug. 30 and Aug. 31 at Lantz Arena. Eastern went 2-2 in the invita-

tional last season, beating Iona in the third-place match.

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# Let's take Eastern men's soccer for \$400

By Blake Faith

Men's Soccer Reporter | @BFAITH0024

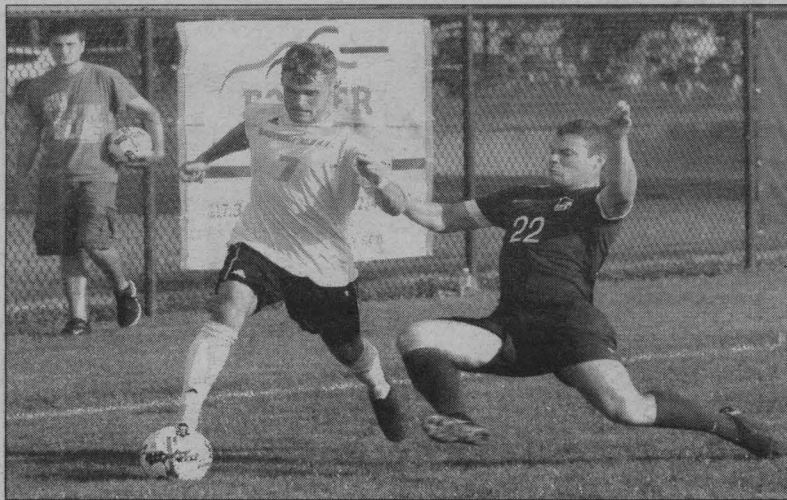
While defense is a focus of the program, Eastern men's soccer head coach Kiki Lara developed more offensive strategies in the offseason that he hopes to implement this season.

The strategy is to be more aggressive offensively, making their chances count when they have numbers behind the ball.

"We want to be a little more direct, a little more interest in getting numbers beyond the ball," Lara said. "Our idea is that we are really committed to flooding the numbers forward and making sure that we get there quickly."

Two of last year's leading scorers return to the 2019 team.

Redshirt senior Christian Sosnowski led the Panthers in scoring with three goals, and junior Shady Omar scored two goals in 2018. Sosnowski and Omar are



FILE PHOTO | THE DAILY EASTERN NEWS

Jake Andrews fends off a sliding defender while making a move with the ball during Eastern's 0-1 loss to Green Bay at Lakeside Field in September 2018.

among 15 players returning to this year's team that have played a lot together over

the last two years.

Senior Alex Castaneda only played six games for the Panthers last year, but led the team in assists. Lara believes that Castaneda can be a catalyst for the Panther offense.

"Castaneda is a very potent attacker, knows the program, he's a returner," Lara said. "He believes in what he's doing and he will have a great year."

Lara believes the Summit League has become up-for-grabs more and more every year because other programs have evened the playing field. Denver is the returning Summit League champion and has won five of the last six Summit League championships.

The Summit League will look different from last year. Denver's Andre Shinyashiki led the NCAA in scoring with 28 goals in 2018 but graduated after last season.

Protecting Eastern's goal is the return-

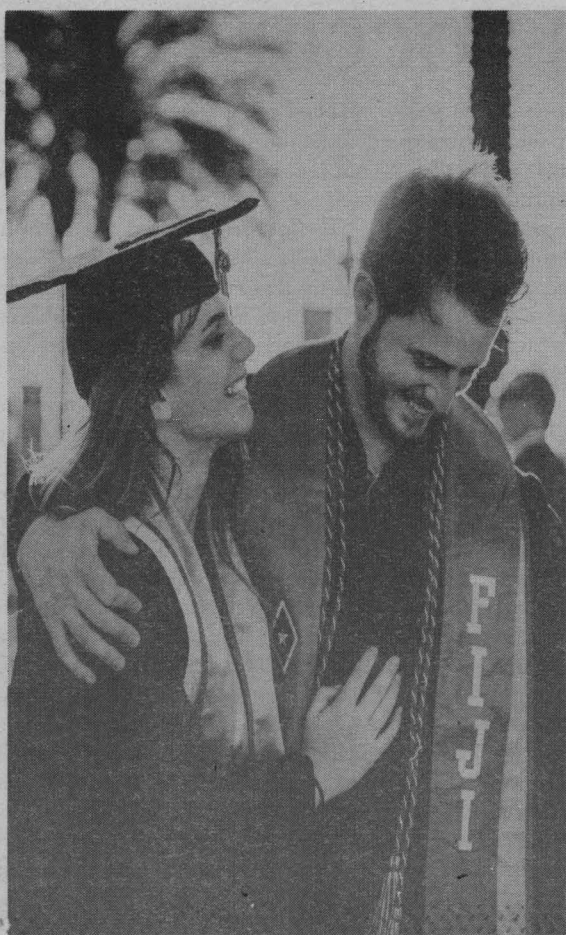
ing, starting goalkeeper, redshirt junior Jonathan Burke.

"Burke had a great last season in goal for us making big time saves in conference play," Sosnowski said. "He saved a penalty kick from Shinyashiki in conference play, where we ended up tying Denver at home amongst many other saves throughout the season and I believe he will continue doing the same thing this fall."

Lara has expectations for his players to play their role and strive in their role. With the team being fully healthy, the coaching staff's goal is to make sure everyone stays healthy throughout the season.

The men's soccer team will play an away exhibition match Thursday against Valparaiso at 2 p.m.

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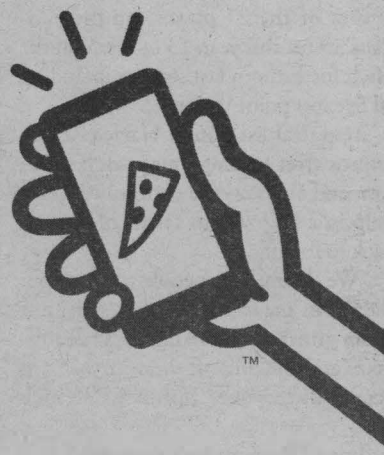
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# Daily Double

## Let's do a true daily double for Eastern football

By JJ Bullock  
Editor-in-Chief | @bullockjj

### New head coach

A new era of Eastern football is here.

After an uninspiring 3-8 finish to the football season last year, Eastern decided it was time to move on from head coach Kim Dameron and ultimately almost his entire coaching staff. In November Dameron was let go and in December Adam Cushing was brought in from Northwestern to be the new head coach of Eastern's football team.

Many new coaches preach about culture change when they take over a program, but not many changed it as quickly as Cushing did when he arrived. In his introductory press conference, Cushing promised those in attendance that while he was head coach at Eastern the team would win not only a conference championship, but a national championship while he was head coach in Charleston. In one sentence, Cushing changed Eastern from a program reeling from a disappointing 3-8 season and multiple years of overall mediocrity, into a program now talking about winning trophies.

A new offensive coordinator (John Kuceyeski) and a new defensive coordinator (Chris Bowers) arrived at Eastern shortly after Cushing both of whom reiterated the new expectations for the football program.

Time will tell if the new coaching staff can turn their goals for the program into a reality, but for now one thing is certain, Eastern's football program certainly has a different feel to it already.

### Difficult Schedule

Eastern's schedule in the first

year of Cushing's tenure as head coach is not an easy one, particularly in the first half of the season.

Eastern opens its season Aug. 29 against Chattanooga on the road, a game in which the Panthers will certainly be looked at as underdogs.

The Panthers follow that game with another daunting task on the road in the form of the Big Ten's Indiana Hoosiers. Indiana will outmatch Eastern at almost every position on the field, will be bigger, faster and stronger. For the Panthers to pull out a win at Memorial Stadium would be no small feat.

Illinois State, a team that pummeled Eastern in a 48-10 beat down last year at home will be in Charleston on Sept. 14 for Eastern's home opener. Illinois State will not be any easier to beat this season as the Redbirds open the season as the No. 15 team in the country and return starting quarterback Brady Davis.

When Eastern is finished playing the No. 15 team in the country, it will again be on the road, this time for a matchup with the nation's No. 16 team Indiana State.

Indiana State put up 55 points in a win over Eastern last season at O'Brien Field and could be a strong candidate to do so again at home this season.

Conference play begins in week five for Eastern in what will be its easiest game of the season in a game against Tennessee Tech.

After that conference play rolls full steam ahead with Eastern's key games coming at home on Oct. 12 against Jacksonville State and Nov. 16 against Southeast Missouri. Those teams were ranked one and two in the preseason poll.

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Adam Cushing is the new head coach of the Eastern football team, and the team has its first game Aug. 29 at Chattanooga.

## The category is: Eastern women's soccer team

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Topping the Eastern women's soccer team's rise and late-season thrills from last season might be tough for the current squad, but the spectators that watched in 2018 will recognize plenty of familiar faces trying to do just that.

Out of the 21 players on the Panthers' roster this year, 13 of them hit the pitch for Eastern last season, including all five top point-getters.

Atop that list, junior Haylee Renick returns after posting four goals last season, and she says the continuity could help in a big way in terms of getting back to form.

"We clearly have people who can put the ball in the back of the net, so it's just about grinding and fixing the little mistakes and kicking off the rust that was accumulated over summer," Renick said.

Two of Renick's four goals came in a six-game stretch to end the regular season, during which Eastern dropped just one game and managed to set a matchup with Southeast Missouri in the Ohio



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Kayla Stolfa fights for position against a Southeast Missouri attacker during the Eastern women's soccer team's 0-1 loss at Lakeside Field in October

Valley Conference Tournament.

The Panthers took a lead into the half at Lakeside Field, but a Redhawks score knotted the game up at one and drove the contest all the way to penal-

ty kicks after two scoreless overtime periods.

Down 2-0 in the shootout, Eastern responded in a big way with two stops from now-senior goalkeeper Sara Te-

teak and three straight converted penalty kicks to move on to the next round.

Murray State finished off the Panthers in the OVC semifinals, leaving Eastern with a 6-8-6 record overall and a 4-3-3 clip within the conference.

The Panthers found most of their success on the road, however, finishing 5-3-3 in away matchups while the team nabbed just one win in nine tries at Lakeside Field.

In fact, the only OVC road folly Eastern suffered in seven contests was the tournament loss to Murray State, giving them a +4 goal differential in those games despite holding a -6 goal differential on the season as a whole.

Renick said the team is looking to start the year with the same cohesion and force it found last season.

"I think team bonding off the field is going to help with that as well as just pushing everyday in practice to fix every little thing we can," Renick said. "This preseason, we started in a way better place tactically than we did last year, so I think everyone coming in ready for this season is going to make the process of finding our groove a lot quicker."

The Panthers' received a fifth-place prediction from the OVC preseason poll despite a third-place finish last season.

The four teams ahead of Eastern in the polls—Murray State, Tennessee-Martin, Eastern Kentucky and Southern Illinois Edwardsville—combined for just a 1-1-2 record against the Panthers last year.

Senior Lindsey Carlson was named a Player to Watch on the poll after being named to the OVC All-Tournament team and receiving two OVC Defensive Player of the Week honors last year.

The team kicked off the season with a 4-0 loss in an exhibition with Northern Iowa on Sunday, and the Panthers return home for an exhibition against Northern Illinois Friday at 3 p.m.

The team's season opener is next Friday at 4 p.m. at Ball State.

The home opener for the year takes place Sept. 8 at 3 p.m. against Purdue-Fort Wayne at Lakeside Field.

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